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SUBJECT: CIVAIR; PRESIDENT'S SON'S INTEREST IN BEECH AIRCRAFT

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1. APPRECIATE PROMPT REACTION REFTEL. PATRICK BROWN, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF BEECH AGENCY IN SOUTH AFRICA, LOCATED AT RAND AIRPORT IN JOHANNESBURG, HAS CALLED CHARGE' TO SAY THAT HE HAD BEEN INFORMED OF SALES OPPORTUNITY IN BOTSWANA AND WAS PREPARED TO MOVE AHEAD WITH IT.

2. CHARGE' TOLD BROWN THAT SO FAR INTEREST IN BEECH SUPER KING AIR AIRCRAFT IS PERSONAL ONE BY PRESIDENT'S SON, IAN KHAMA, WHO IS A QUALIFIED PILOT. BROWN SAID IAN KHAMA HAD PREVIOUSLY CONTACTED HIS AGENCY IN MARCH 1975 AND WAS GIVEN INFORMATION ON SUPER KING AIR. HE WAS PLEASED AT IAN KHAMA'S CONTINUING INTEREST. CHARGE' AGREED TO TELL IAN KHAMA THAT BEECH PREPARED TO PROVIDE DEMONSTATION FLIGHT AT HIS CONVENIENCE.

3. RE PARA 2 REF A, WISH TO REITERATE THAT IAN KHAMA'S INTEREST AT THE MOMENT IS PERSONAL AND THERE IS NO OFFICIAL DECISION TO PURCHASE AIRCRAFT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS POTENTIAL SALES OPPORTUNITY AND KEEP THE DEPART-
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